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Subject:

Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Request Relating To The Potential For

Incidental Take of Lynx or Grizzlies From Trapping Permitted Or Carried

Out By Idaho Department of Fish and Game

INFO-210

Dear Mr. Greenwald:

This letter acknowledges receipt of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated January 27, 2012 regarding

All records relating to the potential for trapping permitted or carried out by Idaho Department of Fish and Game for wolves or other animals to incidentally take federally listed lynx or grizzly bear, including but not limited to all inter and intra agency correspondence (letters, email messages, phone conversation records, inter and intra office memos, facsimiles, meeting minutes, notes, and others) and memos related to the decisions.

All records related to any incidental take permits that have been conceived or issued to Idaho Department of Fish and Game related to trapping, including but not limited to all inter and intra agency correspondence (letters, email messages, phone conversation records, inter and intra office memos, facsimiles, meeting minutes, notes, and others) and memos related to the decisions.

We are requesting all documents and materials directly or indirectly considered by agency decision makes. In addition, please include all correspondence from the Department of the Interior, Washington office, and regional office to any party concerning this decision.

Your request has been assigned the number: FWS-2012-0547. Any future correspondence concerning your request should refer to this number.

In accordance with the Department of the Interior FOIA regulations (43 CFR 2.8(a)), a FOIA requester must describe the records in sufficient detail to enable an employee familiar with the subject area of the request to locate the specific responsive records with a reasonable amount of effort. We will not be able to proceed further with your request until we receive additional clarification from you. The subject of your request appears to be for documents relating to the potential take of lynx or grizzlies but your records request includes wolves. Are you requesting documents pertaining to lynx, grizzlies, and wolves or just lynx and grizzlies?

Be as specific as possible in describing the records you are seeking. For example, whenever possible, identify the date, title or name, author, recipient, and the subject of the record and the timeframe for which you are seeking records; and any other information that will assist the bureau in locating the material.

We will not be able to proceed further with your request until we receive additional clarification from you. We hope that the above information will assist your efforts to clarify your request. In accordance with our regulations (43 CFR 2.8(a)(3)), if we do not hear from you within 20-workdays of the date of this letter, we will assume you are no longer interested in this matter and will close the file on your request.

The FOIA permits documents to be furnished without charge or at a reduced charge if disclosure of the information is (1) in the public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations and activities of the Government, and (2) not primarily in your commercial interest. Your fee waiver request contains sufficient information to grant the waiver. (43 CFR § 2.19 (b)).

If you have any questions, please contact Dennis Mackey of our office at (208) 378-5243.

Sincerely,

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Brian T. Kelly, State Supervisor Idaho Fish and Wildlife Office